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**Maine Music Society Announces Season Opener “Battle of the Blends XVII”
Nov. 6 at Lewiston’s Franco American Heritage Center**

Concert tickets are on sale now and Season Tickets are still available.

Lewiston, Maine - The 2010-2011 Maine Music Society performance season opens on Saturday, November 6, at the Franco-American Heritage Center in Lewiston in its 17th year of Battle of the Blends, a key fund-raiser for the Society.

Battle of the Blends is a concert of *a cappella* music featuring some of the best groups in the Northeast. This year’s concert will feature five groups, who will present a wide variety of music including jazz, rock, gospel, and barbershop.

The **Saco Bay Jazz Vocal Ensemble** is an auditioned mixed group of 15 singers. **Vocal Solution** is a seven-voice ensemble with members from the Oxford Hills, Bridgton, and Poland areas. **Vocal ELoquence** is an 18-voice chorus from Edward Little High School in Auburn. **None of the Above**, an octet from Boston, returns to Battle of the Blends by popular demand. **Downeasters** also returning to “Battle” are members of the Portland Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society.

This one-night-only gathering of musical forces will take place on Saturday, November 6th at 7:30 PM in the Franco-American Heritage Center in Lewiston. Tickets are available online at www.mainemusicociety.org or by calling L/A Arts at 207-782-7228.

Purchase 2010-2011 Season Tickets Today - good for all FOUR Maine Music Society Concerts, and receive a 20% discount PLUS one Free Ticket to any concert.

About Maine Music Society

The Maine Music Society was organized in 1991 to support the artistic and educational activities of the professional players of the Maine Music Society Orchestra and the Androscoggin Chorale.

It is a professional music-performing organization resident in central Maine, which seeks to serve the area communities through a commitment to bring performances to the public, through imaginative programming and artistic excellence.

The Maine Music Society is governed by a 15-member volunteer Board of Directors. John Corrie has been Music Director since 2006.

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